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Broadway Bascule Bridge Over the Milwaukee River Scheduled For Repairs and Painting Beginning May 7, 2015

Project to continue until September 2015

The City of Milwaukee Department of Public Works (DPW) announces traffic restrictions on the Broadway Bascule Bridge over the Milwaukee River beginning May 7, 2015. Bridge work is expected to be completed by September 2015, weather permitting.

One lane of traffic will remain open in each direction over the bridge as crews complete repairs and a painting project. Pedestrians can use the sidewalk adjacent to the open traffic lanes. One leaf of the bascule bridge will remain operational for river navigation.

The Broadway Bascule Bridge is the first moving bridge that boats and ships pass through on their way from Lake Michigan to the Milwaukee and Menomonee rivers and the Downtown Milwaukee area. A bascule style bridge is one that opens at the center with two "leaves" counterweighted to assist in opening and closing the bridge.

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